agencies specified in section 108 of the Truth in Lending Act (15 U.S.C. 1607) in the manner set forth in that section or under any other applicable authorities available to such agencies by law.

## § 232.11 Servicemembers Civil Relief Act protections unaffected.

Nothing in this part may be construed to limit or otherwise affect the applicability of section 207 and any other provisions of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (50 U.S.C. App. 527).

#### § 232.12 Effective dates.

- (a) In general. This regulation shall take effect October 1, 2015, except that, other than as provided in this section and in §232.13(b)(1), nothing in this part shall apply to consumer credit that is extended to a covered borrower and consummated before October 3, 2016.
- (b) Prior extensions of consumer credit. Consumer credit that is extended to a covered borrower and consummated any time between October 1, 2007, and October 3, 2016, is subject to the definitions, conditions, and requirements of this part as were established by the Department and effective on October 1, 2007.
- (c) New extensions of consumer credit. Except as provided in paragraphs (d) and (e) of this section with respect to extensions of consumer credit under paragraph (b) of this section (and except as permitted by §232.13(b)(1)), the requirements of this part that are effective as of October 1, 2015, shall apply only to a consumer credit transaction or account for consumer credit consummated or established on or after October 3, 2016.
- (d) Provisions of 10 U.S.C. 987(d)(2). The amendments to 10 U.S.C. 987(d)(2) enacted in section 661(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013 (Pub. L. 112–239, 126 Stat. 1785), as reflected in §232.7(b), took effect on January 2, 2014.
- (e) Civil liability remedies. The provisions set forth in §232.9(e) shall apply with respect to consumer credit extended on or after January 2, 2013.

## § 232.13 Compliance dates.

(a) In general. Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this section, a creditor

must comply with the requirements of this part, as may be applicable, with respect to a consumer credit transaction or account for consumer credit consummated or established on or after October 3, 2016, not later than that date.

- (b) Safe harbors for identifying a covered borrower—(1) New safe harbors. Section 232.5 shall apply October 3, 2016.
- (2) Prior safe harbor valid until general compliance date. The provisions relating to the identification of a covered borrower set forth in §232.5(a) of the regulation established by the Department and effective on October 1, 2007 (including the interpretation by the Department that provides an exception from the safe harbor for the creditor's knowledge that the applicant is a covered borrower) shall remain in effect until October 3, 2016.
- (c) Limited exemption for credit card account; reservation of authority—(1) In general. Notwithstanding §232.3(f)(1) and subject to paragraph (c)(2) of this section, until October 3, 2017, consumer credit does not mean credit extended in a credit card account under an openend (not home-secured) consumer credit plan.
- (2) Authority to issue an order to extend exemption. The Secretary, or an official of the Department duly authorized by the Secretary, may, by order, extend the expiration of the exemption set forth in paragraph (c)(1) of this section, until a date not later than October 3, 2018.

# PART 233—FEDERAL VOTING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (FVAP)

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### §233.1 Purpose.

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